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SUBMISSION UNDER 37 CFR §1.114 IN SUPPORT OF REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

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Sir:

This submission is in response to the advisory action dated May 9, 2008 indicating that claims 1-24 of the present application continued to stand rejected on the prior art grounds set out in the final rejection mailed March 5, 2008, setting a three-month statutory period for response. Therefore, this submission is being filed with a ONE-MONTH extension of time request and the associated fee. Please consider the following argument and the attached evidence in support of patentability.